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### BRIGANDAGE IN THE COUNCIL.

The action of the Board of Aldermen in passing the \$2,000,000 bond issue for street repairs narrows the responsibility for further obstruction to the Council. The members of that body who have combined to stop important public work until their personal desires are met cannot be reasoned with. They have adopted this stand-deliver policy because it seems to them the only way to get that share of the spoils which the average politician always claims as his due.

They want streets repaved in neighborhoods where it will do them the most good. They would also, no doubt, like to name the contractors, and furnish the list of workmen to be employed. It does not concern them in the least that other streets in Greater New York may also need repaving. Laboring for the public good will not make any votes for them in their particular ward, and voting bond issues for general work will not distribute any money among their personal friends.

That is the attitude of this little clique of ignorant, narrow obstructionists. Comptroller Coler will appeal to the courts for relief, and failing in that will ask the Legislature to so remodel the Municipal Assembly as to make such scandalous "hold-ups" impossible in the future.

### PERSECUTION OF SCHLEY TO CEASE.

Secretary Long says the Navy Department contemplates no further action in the case of Admiral Schley. It is time that the campaign of slander against the destroyer of Cervera's fleet should cease.

If a halt has been called by the Administration it must be due to the nearly universal disfavor with which this conspiracy against Schley has been received. Surely no sense of justice to a fellow officer could have prompted the bureaucratic ring in the Navy Department to stop their assaults. They have shown neither mercy nor decency in their venomous crusade.

The hearing of Admiral Schley has been worthy of all praise. He has stood unmoved while the pitiless storm of slander beat upon him. That he would come out of it unscathed was certain from the beginning. He adds to high personal courage great moral bravery.

It is to the lasting discredit of the McKinley Administration that so worthy an officer should be the victim of such relentless persecution.

### CLEANING CUBAN PLAGUE SPOTS.

To be sure, Americans may be proud of the achievements of their armies, and particularly of their navies, in the late war with Spain. But throughout our century of existence the glories of our peaceful victories have far exceeded those of our warlike exploits; and so it ought to be. So we hope it will be during the second century of our national life.

In that respect we have really made a remarkable beginning in our rule of Cuba. This is the news that comes to us: There is actually at present a lower summer death rate in Santiago than there is in New York City.

Again, a Spanish newspaper in Havana observes that one of the most unhealthful districts in that city has had no deaths for two days, and declares that this proves that "Havana is now one of the healthiest cities in the world."

This is a notable compliment to intelligent American methods and to American energy.

Remember that these two cities, Santiago and Havana, have for centuries been known as the two most pestiferous pestholes of the West Indies of the world—the breeding places of disease, and especially of yellow fever.

Remember what our own people throughout the present century have suffered from the contagion, brought to our shores from these two cities, the repeated visitations of yellow fever in New Orleans and Memphis, and the loss and horrors accompanying them.

Then realize what it means that now Santiago and Havana are just as healthy as New York!

Let us pay due respect and tribute

to the two men who are mainly responsible for these splendid results: General Wood in Santiago and Surgeon-General Davis in Havana.

Why, the outcome of these sanitary labors of theirs will repay with interest, not merely our financial expenditures in the cause of Cuba, but even our expenditures of human lives.

It is in such peaceful exploits we should seek, and where we shall surely find, the glory of the Star Spangled Banner. Nothing can be more significant of American enterprise and American valor than this cleaning out of seventeenth century pestholes and filth. It is worthy of the highest honor—just as Hercules was by the Greeks elevated among the gods because he, among other exploits, cleaned the Augean stables.

### CAN AUGUST BELMONT AFFORD THIS?

The atmosphere of our local race tracks is full of revolt from the present domination of authorities who seem to have constituted themselves permanent. To the long list of sins of omission that can be charged against these officials is now added a flagrant sin of commission.

A man who put himself under the Jockey Club's ban by owning and training at the "outlaw" tracks, and has only just been reinstated, purchases a horse owned in partnership by August Belmont and John J. Hayland. The latter is the active partner and agent of the stable. The would-be purchaser pays the price asked—\$6,000—receives a bill of sale and gives a check. But he gets no horse.

After he had offered his \$6,000 along comes another intending buyer with a proffer of \$7,500, and Hayland is coerced by his partner into the attempt to call the original sale off.

Would-be purchaser No. 1 is approached by the representative of the chairman of the Jockey Club and State Racing Commission in the shape of the man who controls the entire policing of our local tracks. He is "advised" that it would be inexpedient for him to persist in his claim to the ownership of the horse. And so it goes without the saying that the deal is off.

Comment is not needed. Such dealing between man and man, even if one be an "outlaw," the other the "autocrat of the Eastern turf," would disgrace Siberia.

### PUBLIC OWNERSHIP IN DETROIT.

The City Council of Detroit has refused to advance the pending ordinances providing for the municipal ownership of the street railways of that city. The chief stumbling block was found in the refusal of the companies to agree to any arrangement that included a 3-cent fare.

This can only be regarded as a temporary delay. When Governor Pingree was Mayor of Detroit he organized competing lines and maintained them at a 3-cent fare. There is a fair profit in that rate to any company whose stock is not watered and which is not bonded at twice its actual value. When the people realize that their representatives in the Council are working in the interests of the corporations, instead of making an uncompromising fight for municipal ownership, Councilmen will be chosen with sufficient courage and honesty to do their duty.

No real progress will be made toward public ownership in Detroit until the city is prepared to buy the roads outright, without entering into any conditional arrangement with the street railway companies, which are not going to surrender their exceedingly profitable business without driving a hard bargain.

### THE TRANSVAAL TROUBLE.

The present difficulty between the English and the "Boers" of South Africa, which threatens war in the near future, is one that in a peculiar way appeals to the sympathies of mankind.

These Boers, we may say, are morally right, but socially wrong.

Who are the Boers? The Dutch word "boers" is the German word "bauern"—peasants. They are the descendants of the Dutch who occupied Cape Town until the British captured it.

Immediately these Boers tried to get away

from the English—they wished to live by themselves. They moved northward, were expelled by the English, and lastly—exactly like the Mormons in our country—removed so far north that they thought the English would never reach them—to wit, to what is now called the "Transvaal" and the "Orange Free State."

But the English and free lances from America, Germany and other countries did reach them.

They discovered that there were gold mines and diamond mines in the country of the Boers, rushed in and proceeded to develop the mines.

The Boers do not care for gold and diamonds; they curse the day when these mines were discovered. They want to be alone.

That is the moral side of the question. The Boers conscientiously think they are right, and from their point of view they are right.

But that is not the point of view of civilization, of evolution.

The British, the Americans, the Europeans, have rushed in, have developed the mines—in spite of the protests of the Boers—pay most of the taxes, and now propose to vote and to rule.

Undoubtedly the "Uitlanders" represent civilization; they will gain their point, and the poor uncivilized Boers will have to retire.

### A HUSBAND'S UNMEASURED CRUELTY.

The following letter has been received by the Journal from a good woman who seems to have more than her share of

trouble:

Editor of the New York Journal:

Dear Sir—Please excuse me for troubling you, but I want a little advice, and know you will give it, or tell me where I can get the information I seek, as I cannot afford to pay a lawyer. About thirteen years ago, in St. Louis, I and my husband were married under assumed names. The marriage license was published in the paper, and I am quite sure a legal Justice of the Peace performed the marriage ceremony. My certificate of marriage was dated back four months. The certificate bears his seal, but has the assumed names on it, but I do not go by that name. I have always gone by my husband's proper name.

Now comes the hard part. After all those years my husband, who has always abused me, says I am not married, but only his mistress. We have one boy, a bright child, going on twelve years. Please tell me what you think about this case and you will ease my heart more than I can tell you.

If your husband is the type of man you describe he is a heartless, immoral creature, whom you would be well rid of at any cost. If he has sunk so low as to seek to degrade you and to try and put the badge of dishonor on his child, there is small hope for his regeneration.

Whatever the Missouri law may be on the subject of marriages under assumed names, if your husband has ever recognized you in New York for one minute as his wife he is legally bound to provide for you. You are his wife in fact as well as in name, and any court will compel him to do his duty by you, besides punishing him for his brutality.

### There Can't Be Too Many Libraries.

To the Editor of the Journal: Proud may be the Borough of Manhattan! Her libraries, the fountains of knowledge, are numerous, scattered here and there, where people of all classes can easily reach them to enjoy their advantages. Therefore her sister borough, Brooklyn, looks with envious eyes upon her. Her libraries are few, situated in the wealthier districts, and with difficulty reached by the "sons of poverty."

But these "sons of poverty" defy the long distance of the libraries from their wretched residences. They defy the scorching sun of Summer and the biting, bitter frost of Winter. They struggle along for miles to reach these libraries in order to satiate their noble craving for literature. These are undeniable facts.

Do not these "sons of poverty" deserve, then, to have a library nearer their homes? Is not the city of New York rich enough to appropriate money to build a library in the poorer districts? In the name of these "sons of poverty," I therefore appeal to you to lend aid and encouragement and your powerful influence, through the columns of your valuable paper, in bringing about the realization and execution of the noble idea.

SAMUEL WEINSTEIN, Brooklyn, June 27, 1899.

### Is the Race Shrinking?

To the Editor of the Journal: Has the human race degenerated physically since the days of the Spartan mother, of Lycurgus or of Horatius? I think so. Some aver not, and to substantiate their arguments state that the average stature of modern man is greater than that of the ancient Greeks and Romans. Admitted, if it is the descendants of the Anglo-Saxon or the German race they mean by "modern" man. Now the Greek, Roman or any other southern breed could never compare physically with their northern contemporaries—the light-haired German or Scandinavian tribes. So why invite comparison to-day? Compare the ancient Greek or Roman with the modern Latin, and who can say that that branch of the Caucasian race has not retrograded?

Nor do I think the American or Britisher of today is any in advance—physically, of course—of their progenitors, the Saxons. It requires the "Varsity crew, the line men on a football team, or the heavy-weight pugilists of to-day to stand for a moment in comparison with the "men of Kent" at the battle of Hastings or their descendants of latter days portrayed so faithfully in Conan Doyle's masterpiece, "The White Company."

Yours truly, KENNETH FOWLER, No. 303 West 113th street, New York, June 27.

### The Journal and the Jews.

Editor of the New York Journal: Reading the editorial of the Journal to-day on "Anti-Semitism Run Mad," I earnestly believe if all newspapers were like the New York Journal there would never be any conflict between Jews and Gentiles. I also want to express my pleasure in reading a paper like the New York Journal. Yours truly, J. ROBINS, No. 118 West Centre street, Mahanoy City, Pa., June 22.

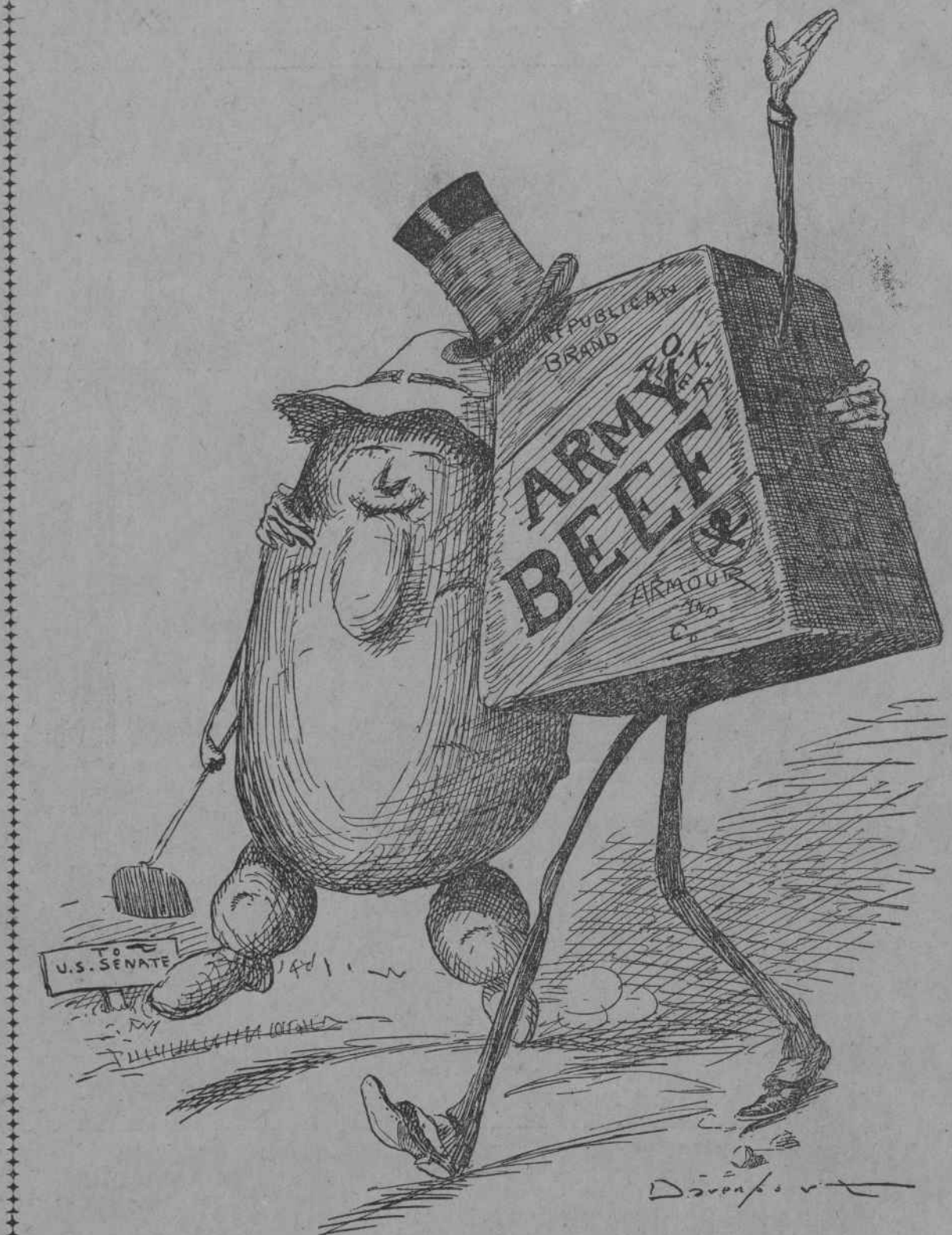
### A Schemer.

Bannister—So you think you will spend your vacation at some inland resort? Howson—Yes, I don't feel that we can afford to go to the seashore this year. Bannister—What place do you expect to go to? Howson—I don't know. Haven't the least idea. Somewhere here in the West, though. My wife always decides such matters. Bannister—Is she partial to the Western resorts? Howson—No, but I've been urging that we go to the sea or some fashionable place down East—Chicago Times-Herald.

### She Would in Many Instances.

"Mrs. William Jennings Bryan," said the free silver man, "thinks that woman should thoroughly understand our system of government." "In that case," replied his soul money wife pointedly, "she would have a distinct advantage over man."—Chicago Post.

## "BEEF AND —"



Pingree, the Man with the Hoe, Seems to Have Got Into Bad Company.

## OPINIONS OF MAGISTRATE CRANE'S LIBEL: "NINE-TENTHS OF THE WOMEN ARE LIARS."

RECENTLY Magistrate Leroy B. Crane, from the bench, said "Nine-tenths of the women in the world could not be believed under oath and are liars." His statement has created the utmost indignation in some quarters, and in others—notably where men have a grievance against women—it is applauded and commended. The Journal has received many letters on the subject pro and con. Artist Oppen having perused several of them gives his idea of the writers and their assertions herewith.

### HE HAS A PERSONAL GRIEVANCE.

KINDLY allow me a little space in your valuable paper of which I am a constant reader.

Would say that if ever a man knew what he was talking about that man was Magistrate Leroy B. Crane when he made the statement that nine-tenths of the women were liars.

A woman is not only a more apt liar than a man, but she is a meaner liar—a most cold-blooded, heartless, unadulterated liar—and it is second nature for a woman to lie.

A woman will lie when the truth would serve her better. She will lie out of pure cussedness. A woman is as much meaner than a man as it is possible for the human brain to conceive of one human being being meaner than another.

When it comes to a question of principle, a woman seems devoid of such an attribute. She is governed wholly by her feelings. She would lie to help the one she was interested in; and she would lie to injure the one she disliked, if that was all the cause she had for doing so.

A woman will stoop to anything to further her cause, whether it be right or wrong, and she will laugh at the misery she has brought upon others. They are the most selfish beings that ever existed.

A woman's meanness is her smartness. She is

woman, and will not allow the truth to be spoken. If the tenth were told about woman she would sink so low in the estimation of man that she would never be able to redeem herself. Take away the extensions, the indulgence and the excuses granted to woman and the truth would be known.

Woman is forced to be as good as she is. She has been boosted and propped up and forced to hold the place she does to-day. And the wise ones know too well that it will not do to hold a woman responsible for her actions and condemn her for her guilt.

The men that have provoked themselves the greatest liars are them that have spoken favorably of women. Equal right. W. P. ARNA.

New Bedford, Mass., June 23.

### THINKS CRANE IS INSANE.

MAGISTRATE CRANE and his untruthful remark, "Nine-tenths of the women in the world could not be believed under oath and are liars."

Magistrate Crane's charge is perhaps too sweeping, but it is nearer the truth than away from it.

Girls lie to one another more than to the male sex; they have no such sense of honor as is found among boys. This early monkeying with the truth sticks to them when they marry, and when the occasion arises, a lie is ever ready on their lips.



Magistrate Crane's Sanity Ought to Be Tested by Women Physicians.

What a sweeping and unjust assertion! Had Judge Crane put it, nine-tenths of the women of the world are truth loving and reliable, he would have come nearer the truth. But that is not the question with me.

A man who in this enlightened day and generation could publicly make such a remark must either be insane or a seeker of notoriety. Certainly he could not have said or done anything to create greater indignation among the women of the world or greater notoriety for himself than the utterance of this wonderful assertion.

I, for one, would modestly suggest that his sanity be tested by a certain number of women physicians, chosen by Governor Roosevelt, and that he be suspended from the sacred office which he is now filling until their decision is rendered.

Pray, what chance would women have, however worthy, under the decision of such a Magistrate? Newark, June 21. HELEN M. LOBER.

### THINKS CRANE IS HONEST.

THE spicy remarks, as printed in your paper, demand that all who are in favor of Judge Crane's remark say "Aye," and if an experience of over forty years in dealing exclusively with women entitles me to a vote, I must say "Aye," and thank Providence we have a Judge who dares speak the truth, though it may hurt.

Women by lying secure sewing machines, furniture, jewelry, etc., and to be honest and pay for their bargains they soft-talk their husbands and remove—where, no one knows.

I predict there are several regiments of men in this city who have to pay their \$3 to \$5 per week. All this misery is done by lying women who never intended living with their husbands when they married.

How many men can honestly say they believe their wives? Hands up!

Of course, while lies such as going through pockets, running false bills and adding 200 per cent to children's clothing are white lies, yet they are simple and pure lies.

Judge Crane is right. And if I made the statement I would not retract one item. He is backed by thousands of men who dare tell the truth.

It is a pity that the old stocks are not in use here.

TRUTH.

New York, June 25.

### SAYS CRANE IS NEAR THE TRUTH.

THE hysterical defence into which people lapse whenever unpleasant truths are told of women is not in keeping with the cooler judgment they bring to bear on other subjects. It may be "good form" to lie like a gentleman to save a woman's honor, but it will not advance the cause of truth much, and it is a direct inducement to her to sin again.

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She Has Her Husband's Pockets to Go Through.

A woman's life is encompassed by vanity. She shows it in her clothes, horses, dogs, carriages, jewelry, or brass ornaments—all lies of the purest water, for they hide the real woman, and if she has not got those luxuries she has her husband's pockets to go through while he sleeps; and she lies about that in the morning.

W. D.

New York, June 23.